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NOTE

The Altitudinal Range of *Pogonomyrmex pima* (Formicidae: Hymenoptera)

In his book on the harvester ants of the genus *Pogonomyrmex*, Cole (1968, Pogonomyrmex Harvester Ants. A Study of the Genus in North America, Univ. Tenn. Press, Knoxville, 222 pp.) summarized the known range of *P. pima* Wheeler as southern Arizona in U.S.A. and Sonora in Mexico. Within that range nests have been found from sea level to elevations of 2400 feet. Following Creighton's view (1956, Psyche 63: 54–56) Cole proposed to ignore two localities cited for *pima* by Olsen (1934, Bull. Mus. Comp. Zool. 77: 493–514). One disputed record is Bowie, Arizona at 3700 feet. While curating miscellaneous undetermined *Myrmica* specimens in the Museum of Comparative Zoology, Harvard University, I found an unidentified *Pogonomyrmex* worker labeled from Bowie. Comparison with Cole's descriptions and series of identified *pima* and its closest relative *P. imberbiculus* Wheeler, showed without doubt that the specimen belongs to *pima*. Olsen's record is therefore confirmed and the altitudinal range of *pima* confirmed to some 4000 feet.

The other questioned record cited by Olsen (1934, ibid.), Mt. Lemmon, South Catalina Mts., Arizona, 8000–9000 feet, appears somewhat out of line, though not impossible. The specimen(s) involved could perhaps be found also in some part of the fragmented W. M. Wheeler Collection of ants.

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